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**Олимпиадная работа по английскому языку (муниципальный этап)
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ученика (цы) _____ класса

(наименование ОУ)

(город, район)

(фамилия, имя, отчество в родительном падеже)

К олимпиаде подготовил (а)

(фамилия, имя, отчество учителя)

Внимание: фамилия, имя и отчество ученика и подготовившего к олимпиаде учителя пишется полностью и разборчиво (при неразборчивом почерке – печатными буквами).

LISTENING COMPREHENSION (30 minutes)

Task 1. You will hear 3 people talking about friendship. For statements 1-5 choose the answer T (true), F (false) or NS (not stated). You will hear the conversation twice.

1. Sarah is going to move into Fadi's flat.
2. Harry and Johnny are working for the same company.
3. Magda thinks it is a good idea for friends to work together.
4. Johnny is optimistic about his future.
5. Johnny had had many interviews before he found his current job.

Task 2. Listen to the interview with Peter Jones who works in the company "Art and Business". Complete the sentences below with the correct word. You will hear the text twice.

6. These days productivity is not only about _____.
7. We are using the _____ of the written word to motivate workers.
8. Only four people out of every ten _____ a book about business.
9. Shared reading can improve _____ and morale in the workplace.
10. The workers at WH Smith are inspired by _____ and poems.

Task 3. Listen to the man talking about British festivals. Choose the best answer to complete the sentence. You will hear the text twice.

11. The Clavie is ...
 - A. a whisky container
 - B. a wooden cross
 - C. a bonfire made of things people don't need.
12. In ancient times the 11th of January was...
 - A. the first day of the year
 - B. the last day of the year
 - C. Christmas
13. In the Up Helly Aa festival, they burn...
 - A. a wooden man
 - B. a Viking boat
 - C. a line in the grass.
14. During a pancake race, you have to ...
 - A. eat as many pancakes as possible
 - B. run as fast as possible while tossing a pancake in a pan
 - C. run and jump over the ropes without dropping the pancake.

15. Nowadays, the people who win the cheese rolling competition are usually...

- A. top athletes
- B. people from the village
- C. visitors from all over the world.

16. The fastest snail in the Snail Racing is ...

- A. cooked with garlic and butter
- B. rescued from the barbecue
- C. given a prize of extra lettuce.

17. The onion-eating contest takes place in...

- A. Lancashire
- B. Norfolk
- C. Gloucestershire

18. Black pudding throwing is similar to...

- A. pancake tossing
- B. Olympic sports like javelin and shotput
- C. bowling

19. To win the best gurner competition, one man

- A. had all his teeth removed
- B. grew a really long beard
- C. had a lot of facial piercings

20. The Burning of the Clocks festival is

- A. 2 years old
- B. 20 years old
- C. 200 years old

Transfer your answers to the ANSWER SHEET

READING COMPREHENSION (30 minutes)

Task 1. You are going to read a brochure about weddings but some parts of the text are missing. Find the right part to each blank space (1-10). There are more possible parts given than you need.

There is an example already done for you.

Weddings abroad

The average wedding in Britain costs £21,000, so (0) I that this year more couples than ever are choosing a foreign setting for their big day, and saving thousands of pounds in the process.

Taormina, Sicily, Italy

The cobbled streets of the pretty seaside resort of Taormina offer a classically Mediterranean background to a wedding, (1) _____ taking place at the town hall - a historic palazzo in the centre of the old town. After the ceremony, a reception can be held at the Casa Turchetti guest house, (2) _____ on the roof terrace, which boasts amazing views towards Mount Etna. A week at Casa Turchetti costs from £2,478 per couple, including ceremony, interpreter, documents, flights and transfers. Anything else - reception, flowers, photographer - is extra.

Schönbrunn Palace, Vienna, Austria

(3) _____ to glamour and grandeur, the Schönbrunn Palace takes some beating. Built in the mid-17th century as a summer residence for the Austrian imperial family, the palace is one of Vienna's most famous sights. Wedding ceremonies take place in one of the private rooms of the former Empress Sisi, which have access to (4) _____ - the perfect spot for a post-ceremony champagne reception. A three-night stay at Hotel Bristol in Vienna costs from £787 per person including flights, and the ceremony at the palace costs an additional £2,658 per couple, including limo transfer from your hotel. The registrar's fee, payable locally on arrival, is about €650.

Masai Mara, Kenya

(5) _____ lions, giraffes and wildebeest as witnesses at your wedding, then the Mara Camp may be the perfect location. Situated on the banks of the Talek River, the camp is luxurious with an elevated game-viewing platform and swimming pool and 30 elegant tents with four-poster beds and modern ensuite bathrooms. A week in Kenya, combining the Mara with the exotic island of Lamu, costs from £2,429 per person. The standard (6) _____ costs an additional £980, including all formalities and a decorated wedding location. Banff, Canada
If it's a mountain setting you're after, head to the Canadian Rockies, (7) _____ your vows in the beautiful wilderness of Banff National Park. It is open year round and you can choose from several outdoor locations all of

which will make for a dramatic place to tie the knot. A week at the Fox Hotel & Suites in Banff, room-only, costs from £1,304 per person including flights. (8)_____a wedding package from £1,108 per couple, including location permit, marriage license and certificate.

The Cook Islands, South Pacific

If you're thinking of heading to a tropical idyll for your wedding, the Cook Islands offer something really different. Tie the knot on the unspoilt island of Rarotonga, and the ceremony will take place against a view of high mountain peaks scattered with lush rainforest. The island is (9)_____encircled by a reef, creating a lagoon and stunning beaches. Balmy temperatures mean it is perfect for a wedding at any time of the year, and the ceremony can take place on the beach, in a church or in a garden setting. A 12-night stay at the Takitumu Villas costs from £2,054 per person, including flights, flowers and formalities, a bottle of champagne and (10)_____.

- A. where you can say
- B. when it comes
- C. with the ceremony
- D. the best season
- E. the company offers
- F. the grand park
- G. almost completely
- H. having finished
- I. it's no surprise**
- J. if you want
- K. a wedding coordinator
- L. wedding package
- M. starting with champagne

Task 2. Put the parts of the following text in the correct order (11-20).

English speakers are bad communicators

A

It was just one word in one email, but it triggered huge financial losses for a multinational company. The message, written in English, was sent by a native speaker to a colleague for whom English was a second language. Unsure of the word, the recipient found two contradictory meanings in his dictionary. He acted on the wrong one. Months later, senior management investigated why the project had flopped, costing hundreds of thousands of dollars. "It all traced back to this one word," says Chia Suan Chong, a UK-based communications skills and

intercultural trainer, who didn't reveal the tricky word because it is highly industry-specific and possibly identifiable. "Things spiralled out of control because both parties were thinking the opposite."

B

Zurich-based Michael Blattner's mother tongue is Swiss-German, but professionally he interacts mostly in English. "I often hear from non-native colleagues that they do understand me better when listening to me than when doing so to natives," says the head of training and proposition, IP Operations at Zurich Insurance Group. One bugbear is abbreviations. "The first time I worked in an international context somebody said 'Eta 16:53' and I thought 'What the hell is ETA?'," says Blattner. "To add to the confusion, some of the abbreviations in British English are very different from American English."

C

That's why Nerriere devised Globish — a distilled form of English, stripped down to 1,500 words and simple but standard grammar. "It's not a language, it's a tool," he says. Since launching Globish in 2004 he's sold more than 200,000 Globish text books in 18 languages. "If you can communicate efficiently with limited, simple language you save time, avoid misinterpretation and you don't have errors in communication," Nerriere says. As an Englishman who's worked hard to learn French, Rob Steggles, senior marketing director for Europe at telecommunications giant NTT Communications, has advice for Anglophones. Based in Paris, Steggles says, "you need to be short, clear and direct and you need to simplify. But there's a fine line between doing that and being patronising." "It's a tightrope walk," he adds.

D

When such misunderstandings happen, it's usually the native speakers who are to blame. Ironically, they are worse at delivering their message than people who speak English as a second or third language, according to Chong. "A lot of native speakers are happy that English has become the world's global language. They feel they don't have to spend time learning another language," says Chong. "But... often you have a boardroom full of people from different countries communicating in English and all understanding each other and then suddenly the American or Brit walks into the room and nobody can understand them."

E

"Native speakers are at a disadvantage when you are in a lingua franca situation," where English is being used as a common denominator, says Jennifer Jenkins, professor of global Englishes at the UK's University of Southampton. "It's the native English speakers that are having difficulty understanding and making themselves understood." Non-native speakers generally use more limited vocabulary and simpler expressions, without flowery language or slang. Because of that, they understand one another at face value. Jenkins found, for instance, that

international students at a British university understood each other well in English and swiftly adapted to helping the least fluent members in any group.

F

The non-native speakers, it turns out, speak more purposefully and carefully, typical of someone speaking a second or third language. Anglophones, on the other hand, often talk too fast for others to follow, and use jokes, slang and references specific to their own culture, says Chong. In emails, they use baffling abbreviations such as ‘OOO’, instead of simply saying that they will be out of the office. “The native English speaker... is the only one who might not feel the need to accommodate or adapt to the others,” she adds. With non-native English speakers in the majority worldwide, it’s Anglophones who may need to up their game.

G

In Berlin, Coulter saw German staff of a Fortune 500 company being briefed from their Californian HQ via video link. Despite being competent in English, the Germans gleaned only the gist of what their American project leader said. So among themselves they came up with an agreed version, which might or might not have been what was intended by the California staff. “A lot of the information goes amiss,” Coulter says. It’s the native speaker who often risks missing out on closing a deal, warns Frenchman Jean-Paul Nerriere, formerly a senior international marketing executive at IBM. “Too many non-Anglophones, especially the Asians and the French, are too concerned about not ‘losing face’ — and nod approvingly while not getting the message at all,” he says.

H

When trying to communicate in English with a group of people with varying levels of fluency, it’s important to be receptive and adaptable, tuning your ears into a whole range of different ways of using English, Jenkins says. “People who’ve learned other languages are good at doing that, but native speakers of English generally are monolingual and not very good at tuning in to language variation,” she says. In meetings, Anglophones tend to speed along at what they consider a normal pace, and also rush to fill gaps in conversation, according to Steggle. “It could be that the non-native speaker is trying to formulate a sentence,” he says. “You just have to wait a heartbeat and give them a chance. Otherwise, after the meeting they come up and say, ‘What was all that about?’ Or they walk away and nothing happens because they haven’t understood.”

I

And then there’s cultural style, Blattner says. When a Brit reacts to a proposal by saying, “That’s interesting” a fellow Brit might recognise this as understatement for, “That’s rubbish.” But other nationalities would take the word “interesting” on face value, he says. Unusual words, speed of talking and mumbling don’t help, he adds — especially if the phone or video connection is poor quality. “You start disengaging and doing something else because there isn’t any chance of understanding,” he says. At meetings, he adds, “typically, native English speakers

dominate about 90% of the time. But the other people have been invited for a reason.” Dale Coulter, head of English at language course provider TLC International House in Baden, Switzerland, agrees: “English speakers with no other language often have a lack of awareness of how to speak English internationally.”

J

He recommends making the same point in a couple of different ways and asking for some acknowledgement, reaction or action. “If there’s no participation,” Steggles cautions, “you don’t know whether you’ve been understood or not.”

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USE of ENGLISH (30 minutes)

Task 1. Read the text below and decide which answer A, B, C or D best fits each space. There is an example given at the beginning (0).

The Price of Fame

Charlotte Church looks like a normal teenager, but she is far from average. She has an amazing voice. Her fans stand in (1).....for hours to get tickets for her concerts and she is often on television. Charlotte’s singing (2)..... began when she performed on a TV show at the age of 11. The head of a record company was so impressed by her voice that he (3).....her up on the spot. Her first album rose to number one in the charts. Charlotte still attends school in her home town when she can. (4) , she is often away on tour for weeks at a time. She doesn’t miss out on lessons, though, because she takes her own tutor with her! She (5) three hours every morning with him. Her exam results in all the (6) she studies are impressive. But how does she (7) with this unusual way of life?

She (8) that she has the same friends as before. That may be true, but she can no longer go into town with them because everybody stops her in the street to ask for her (9) It seems that, like most stars, she must learn to (10) these restrictions and the lack of privacy. It’s the price of fame.

1. A rows	B queues	C ranks	D files
2. A profession	B job	C labour	D career
3. A signed	B wrote	C made	D picked
4. A Although	B While	C For	D However
5. A takes	B utilises	C spends	D uses
6. A titles	B materials	C subjects	D lessons
7. A cope	B adjust	C bear	D tolerate
8. A denies	B refuses	C insists	D complains
9. A signature	B autograph	C sign	D writing
10. A look down on	B make do with	C put up with	D run out of

Task 2. Read the sentences below. Complete the blanks with the verbs *make* or *do* and prepositions.

11. My lawyer advised me to _____ the best _____ this difficult situation.
12. Before signing the contract, the client wished to _____ some inquiries _____ the matter.
13. The university students are going to _____ research _____ the effects of noise pollution on people.
14. Bill wanted to _____ a good impression _____ the company's president.
15. The police officer was instructed to _____ a detailed report _____ the strange incident.
16. Your plan will only _____ trouble _____ the people you are supposedly trying to help.
17. If we _____ good use _____ our resources, we can achieve our goal.
18. This ugly furniture does not _____ justice _____ this magnificent house.
19. We _____ a considerable contribution _____ the heart foundation every year.
20. Why don't you _____ yourself _____ home while I get ready?

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